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PERMIT # _____

APPLICATION FOR RESIDENT BOAT RAMP PARKING PERMIT

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

CHECK LIST:

- ☐ Is the above listed address adjacent to or abutting Lake Wellington? Yes No
- (Residents of property abutting Lake Wellington are exempt from payment of the \$25.00 annual fee)
- ☐ Valid driver's license (Attach copies)
- ☐ Current utility bill (Attach copies)
- ☐ Boat Registration or Vehicle Registration (Attach copy of current registration)
- ☐ Insurance on Boat (Attach copy of current/ in-force general and property damage insurance) if applicable.
- ☐ Make/Model of Boat, Boat Hull Length: _____
- ☐ Annual Fee of \$25.00

I understand that by using a Wellington Boat Ramp, I am releasing Wellington and its officials of any responsibility for damage that may occur to my boat, motor, trailer, vehicle and self on Wellington's waterways or at the boat ramp. I also acknowledge that the boat ramps are for the exclusive use of the Village residents. The maximum boat length permitted shall be twenty feet. I also acknowledge I have been informed and that the permit shall be displayed on the tongue of the trailer hauling the boat or the rear of the vehicle if I am not hauling a trailer. Finally, I acknowledge the use of the ramp will be limited to 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

Signature

Date

Community Development / Customer Service Department

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ORDINANCE NO. 2005-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 70 "WATERWAYS" OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ENACTING NEW SECTIONS 70-4 "ACCESS REGULATION FOR PUBLICLY-OWNED WATERWAYS", 70-5 "BOAT RAMP ACCESS," AND 70-6 "LICENSE REQUIRED AT VILLAGE-OWNED BOAT RAMPS" TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL LICENSING AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE USE AND ACCESS FOR BOAT RAMPS AND VILLAGE WATERWAYS; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Village Council has determined that publicly-owned waterways are valuable resources that should be protected; and

WHEREAS, the use of the public waterways in the Village is under the jurisdiction of the Village and, as such, may be regulated by the Village; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is enacted pursuant to Article VIII of the Florida Constitution, Chapter 166, Florida Statutes, the Charter of the Village of Wellington, and the police powers of the Village.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 70, "Waterways" of the Village of Wellington's Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by enacting new Sections 70-4 "Access Regulation For Publicly-Owned Waterways", 70-5 "Boat Ramp Access," and 70-6 "License Required at Village-Owned Boat Ramps" as follows:

Sec. 70-4. Access Regulation for Publicly-Owned Waterways.

- (1) The definitions set forth in Chapter 327 of the Florida Statutes, entitled the "Florida Vessel Registration Law," as it may be amended from time to time, are hereby incorporated into this section by reference.
- (2) Definitions. In addition to the definitions set forth in Chapter 327, Florida Statutes, the following term or phrase and its derivations shall have the meaning given herein:

"Village Waterway" is any water, waterway, lake, river, tributary, canal, lagoon or connecting water within the boundaries of the Village.

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- 3 (3) License Required. Vessels shall not be operated in or on the Village
- 4 waterways unless properly licensed as required by applicable state and
- 5 federal laws and regulations.
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- 7 (4) U. S. Coast Guard Regulations. A vessel shall not be operated in or on
- 8 Village waterways unless it complies with all applicable requirements of the
- 9 United States Coast Guard.
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- 11 (5) Speed Limit. The speed limit on all Village waterways is established as "Idle
- 12 Speed, No Wake," except as provided in Section 70-3.
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- 14 (6) Maintenance of Docks. Persons controlling or occupying vessels shall at all
- 15 times keep the docks, seawalls and premises adjacent to such vessels in a
- 16 neat and orderly manner and free from trash, rubbish, repair parts,
- 17 machinery, equipment and debris of all kinds.
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- 19 (7) Waste Disposal. Dumping of waste, including without limitation solid waste,
- 20 garbage, paper, bottles, cans, refuse, debris and sanitary waste on, into or
- 21 adjacent to Village waterways is prohibited.
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- 23 (8) Launching of Vessels. Launching of vessels from a publicly or privately
- 24 owned property without the express authorization of the property owner,
- 25 whether such property is developed or undeveloped, shall be prohibited.
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- 27 Sec. 70-5. Boat Ramp Access.
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- 29 (1) Use and maximum hull length. Village boat ramps shall be for the exclusive
- 30 use of Village residents. The maximum boat length permitted to use a Village
- 31 boat ramp shall be twenty feet, except that by special permit the Community
- 32 Development Department may approve a longer vessel length where that
- 33 vessel is owned by a resident whose property abuts Lake Wellington and the
- 34 vessel is regularly docked or anchored at the residence.
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- 36 (2) Procedures for Exclusive Use, Generally. The Village Council directs the
- 37 Village Manager to establish the necessary procedures and safeguards to
- 38 ensure that the boat ramps are utilized exclusively by Village residents and to
- 39 ensure the safe operation and use of boats in, on and around boat ramps.
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- 41 Sec. 70-6. License required at Village Owned-Boat Ramps.
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- 43 (1) Parking license. Only residents of the Village of Wellington shall be allowed
- 44 to park vehicles and boat trailers in designated parking areas at Village-
- 45 owned boat ramps. Such vehicles shall be required to obtain a parking
- 46 license from the Village, pursuant to the following regulations:

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- 1 a. The required licenses shall be obtained from the Community Development
2 Department.
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- 4 b. The licenses shall be renewed annually.
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- 6 c. The annual fee for a license shall be \$25.00. This fee shall pay for
7 administrative costs and is not refundable.
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- 9 d. Proof of insurance and a current registration for the vessel for which the
10 license is intended shall be provided to the Village for a new license and
11 each year to renew a license.
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- 13 e. The license shall be prominently displayed on the tongue of the vessel's
14 trailer.
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- 16 f. Only residents of the Village, as evidenced by two types of identification,
17 shall be allowed to obtain parking license for parking at Village-owned
18 boat ramps.
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- 20 g. The applicant for a parking license shall be required to sign a form
21 indicating that he or she shall abide by the Village regulations restricting
22 gas powered engines on Village waterways. This form need only be
23 signed one time.
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- 25 h. Village, law enforcement and other public agency vessels shall be exempt
26 from having to display a boat ramp license when parking at such facilities.
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- 28 (2) Enforcement. The enforcement of this section shall be the responsibility of
29 the Village's Code Compliance Division and the district office of the Palm
30 Beach Sheriff's Office in the same manner as parking violations are issued
31 pursuant to Chapter 62 of the Village of Wellington Code of Ordinances and
32 subject to the Administrative Appeal provisions of section 62-39 of the Village
33 of Wellington Code of Ordinances.
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- 35 (3) Penalty. Violations of this section shall be punishable by a civil penalty of
36 \$30.00 for a first offense and \$250.00 for a second offense.
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- 38 **SECTION 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby
39 repealed.
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- 41 **SECTION 3.** Should any section or provision of this Ordinance or any portion
42 thereof, any paragraph, sentence or word is declared by a court of competent
43 jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder
44 hereof as a whole or any part to be declared invalid.
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- 46 **SECTION 4.** Codification of this Ordinance is hereby authorized and directed.
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